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## **NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

## **CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.10**

I hereby certify that this New Application and the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date September 11, 2000, in an envelope Addressee" Mailing Label Number EL546135008US addressed Comprissions for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231. bearing "Express Mail Post Office T to: Patent Application

SIR:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor: Ghassan Semaan

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PARTITIONING SONET FRAMES INTO LOGICAL CHANNELS Title:

TO OPTIMIZE BANDWIDTH UTILIZATION

## Enclosed are:

- The papers required for filing date under CFR §1.53(b):
  - 25 Pages of specification (including claims);
  - Sheets of drawings;
    - X formal
    - informal
- Declaration or oath (signed)
- 3. Power of Attorney (signed)
- 4. Assignment (signed)
- Information Disclosure Statement (with references) 5.
- Fee Calculation
  - A preliminary amendment deleting multiple dependencies and placing the claims in proper U.S. format is enclosed.

## **CLAIMS AS FILED**

	Number filed	Number extra*	Rate	Basic Fee \$690.00
Total Claims	15 - 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2 - 3 =	0	X \$ 78.00	\$0.00
Multiple dependent claim(s), if any		0	+ \$260.00	\$0.00

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\$730.00

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